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Riggelman History

Riegelmann Rigelman and Riggelman all ways of spelling it.

Following will be some names of early Riggelman familys who were related to one another. However it is difficult to ascertain their right place of relationship, also this is another cause for reason to believe that the first Jacob and John could have had a number of children.

Hiram Riggelman 1838-1914

Hiram lived all of his married life at Mozer W.Va. was twice married, first to Rebecca Landis and second to Millie Kesner.

G. 1841, d. a child Dec. 19, 1883 son of John & C. Landis

Hiram Riggelman and Rebecca Landis children.

1. ~~Hiram~~ John F. (Virginia Smith) Both buried at Dorcas W.Va. *b. 1863, m. Jan. 29, 1884*
2. Samuel (Maggie See) Both burried at Clearville Pa. *b. 1861, m. Sept 9, 1888*
3. Bertha (?) *5. Emma A. (George F. See b. 1874, son of John & Virginia See) b. 1877, m. Dec. 28, 1899*
4. ~~Infant born July 12, 1867~~ Second marriage

Hiram Riggelman and Millie Kesner,s children

1. Virginia (Van B Ratcliff) both died at Patterson Creek W.Va.
2. ~~Stella~~ Dennis Sites Lived in Petersburg W.Va. *4. Emma (Chas. Riggelman son of Wm)*
3. Bessie (Jacob Greenawalt) lives at Mozer W.Va. *5. Lettie (Elmer Lemons)*

Hiram always claimed close relationship to the other Riggelman familys, and his daughter Mrs Greenawalt has papers (1966) to proove that her father was born in Rockingham Co Va.

Hiram oas a soldirr in the civil war 1861-1865 served in the home guards and in two different Co,s, first under Capt Isaac Alt Lieut. William Phares-Serg William McDonald-Corp Martin Alt. Second under Capt John S Bond- Lieut Adam Yokum - Serg Martin Judy -Corp Amos Hinkle.

- m. May 6, 1913* John F Riggelman and Virginia Smith,s children *also p. 13*
1. Laura *1888-1972 (Ed Landis d 1960)*
 2. Sarah (William Mallow) lives at Upper Tract W.Va. *1. Stanley mallow b. Dec. 3, 1889*
 3. Hazel (Rev. Dan Craft) *2. John*
 4. Goldie (Vance Bensenhaver) *b. Sept. 7, 1909, m. 3. Maurice " M. Sept 30, 1919*
 5. Charles lives in Moorefield W.Va. *(Lou Kite) South Fork*
 6. Andrew lives at Dorcas W.Va. *(Dorcas Kite) 8 Oscar b. Oct 1, 1901, (Vista Shale Kites)*
 7. Fred " *(Spring Run) (Pearl Kites)*

1. Daughter (Kelly Clingerman) lives at Clearville Pa.

Laura Riggelman and Ed Landis,s children

1. Carman (Wayne Barr)
2. Ann (McKinley Rohrbaugh)
3. John E

Virginia Riggelman and Van B Ratcliff,s children

1. Ula (Wilbur Dicken) lives at Chaneyville Pa.
2. Bessie (Chriss Brockey) lives at " "
3. Leesom (? ?) " " "
4. Thelma died young
5. Victor (Georgia Dicken) lives at Bedford Pa.
6. Justin (? ?) lives at Patterson Creek W.Va.

Soloman Riggelman was a soldier in the Civil war from 1863 to 1865, served in the home guards under Capt Isaac Alt-Lieut William Phares- Serg Jacob McDonald-Corp Martin Alt, Soloman Riggelman lived his life in the Mill Creek section of Pendleton Co W.Va.

Jermiah Riggelman (Jerry) died 1921 lived all of his life at Mozer W.Va, had at least two children, Adam and a daughter Eva who married a man by the name of Wratchford, Jerry also served in the home guards of the civil war and was a soldier under Capt John S Bond Lieut Adam Yokum- Serg Martin Judy- and Corp Amos Hinkle.

Jerry was a strong supporter of the Republican party and would never vote

Jacob Riggelman b. 1800 or 1799, d. Aug. 8, 1878, son of John & Barbara Riggelman. He was husband of Margaret Chas Riggelman. (Petersburg Courthouse) He was 78 yrs old.

Pennsylvania Md. -Va. W.va. east of the Blue-ridge Mts was settled at least 100years before what is now W.Va. and part of Va.

The late S.T.Wiley of Kingwood W.Va. was a great historian, and lived to old age, and had worked his whole life gathering and writing history, he had found lots of old documents of proof that early Pa settlers came from Pa to Va. by the thousands, their crossing place on the Potomac river was at now Harpers Ferry W.Va. in so doing this they would already be west of the Blue-ridge Mt. The descendants of these early people can now be found in every county in W.Va.

According to Daniel Rupps history of Berks county Pa most of these early emigrants were from Germany and Holland, this is why the people in Pa were called German dutch or Pa dutch.

This is the end of information on the early Rigglemans of Pa which was very sketchy and hard to follow, and now bringing it up untill around the of 1800 or about the time they came into Va. now W.Va.

The history of the early Rigglemann, after they came into Va ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ is also like that of Pa. it is sketchy and hard to follow, however, every effort was made to carry out the direct family line.

It can be assumed that the first Riggleman that came into Va was around the year 1800 (give or take a little each way) when the first Federal Census for Va. W.Va. was taken in 1790, there were no Rigglemans living with in the state, they had not came from Pa. at that time.

When the second Federal Census or the 1820 census was taken, they were then living in the states adn had been for a long time, this Federal census for 1820 was taken by Jethro Neville who was a farmer and large land owner and lived near Moorefield, he was an assistant to the Marshal for this district of Va with the headquarters being in the state Capitol then at Richmond Va When this census was taken the spelling of this family name had been changed from Riegelmann to Rigalman, then some years later it was changed to Riggleman as is to the present day.

The first Regalman to be found living in the state of Va or W.Va was Jacob This is the Jacob that a large neumber of Rigglemand that ~~xxxx~~ a large number of Rigglemans that were Born between the years of 1840 & 1860 and died between the years of 1930 & 1950, these people always referred to him as the old Jacob, it is not known who thas Jacob,s wife was.

Pendleton county now W,Va. claims the credit for having the first Riegelmann settlement with in the boundarys of the state.

Jacob settled a few miles southof Petersburg W. Va towards Franklin in Pendleton Co at the head of North Mill Creek, there he made a clearing and built a log cabin, this place was called Riegelmanns cabin and was a familiar stopping place for travelers for many years. This Jacob was most likely of the connection of Peter and Conrad or Kuhnradt who were in Berks Co Pa.